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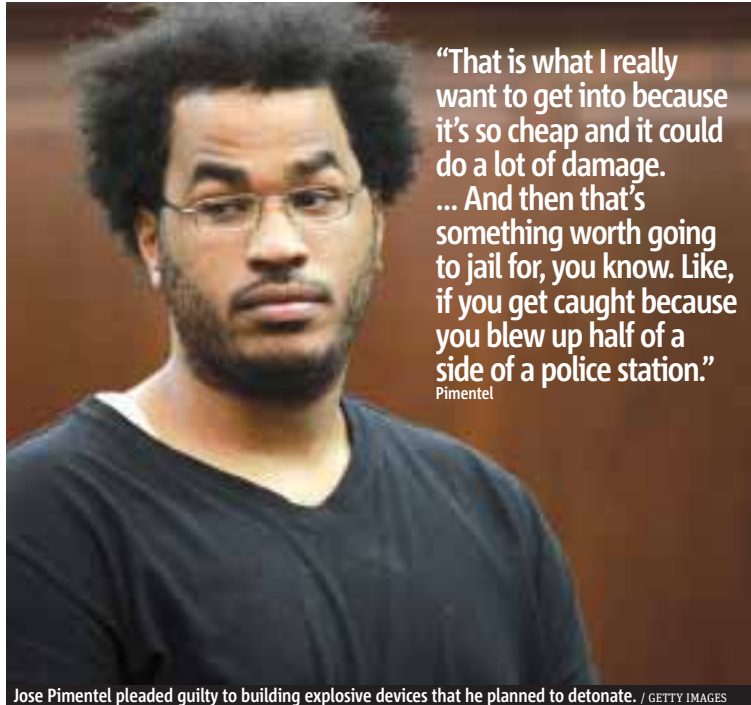
Suspect in pipe bomb terror plot pleads guilty

Trial soon. A Manhattan man pleaded guilty Wednesday to a state terrorism charge in the 2011 scheme.

A man accused of plotting to set off pipe bombs in New York City pleaded guilty Wednesday to a state terrorism charge, officials said.

Jose Pimentel, 29, built improvised explosive devices two years ago that he planned to detonate in the city, according to Manhattan District Attorney Cyrus R. Vance Jr.

Pimentel was arrested in his Hamilton Heights apartment in November 2011 after a yearlong investigation by the NYPD bomb squad. Officials said



Jose Pimentel pleaded guilty to building explosive devices that he planned to detonate. / GETTY IMAGES

"That is what I really want to get into because it's so cheap and it could do a lot of damage. ... And then that's something worth going to jail for, you know. Like, if you get caught because you blew up half of a side of a police station."

Pimentel

he had components that were described in an al-Qaida magazine outlining how to construct a bomb for maximum the number of casualties.

"That is what I really want to get into because it's so cheap and it could do a lot of damage. ... And then that's something worth going to jail for, you know. Like, if you get caught because you blew up half of a side of a police station," Pimentel said in September 2011, according to court documents of recorded phone conversations.

Pimentel agreed to a 16-year plea deal for attempted criminal possession in a terrorism crime, the same law that was used against two other New Yorkers since the Sept. 11 attacks.

Pimentel is expected to be sentenced March 25.

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First lady visiting New York today



Michelle Obama will be pushing water consumption during her visit. / GETTY IMAGES

The first lady is heading to New York City on Thursday to encourage water consumption and appear on "The Tonight Show."

Beginning downtown, Michelle Obama will visit WAT-AAH!'s "Taking Back the Streets" exhibit at the New Museum on the Bowery, according to a schedule from the White House.

The exhibit is a combined effort by WAT-AAH!, a bottled water company for kids, and Obama's Partnership for a Healthier America, which encourages Americans to drink more water.

"This exhibit will use the visual arts to remind kids and parents that choosing to drink water is one of the best and

easiest decisions we can make each and every day," according to the White House.

Obama will also attend a DNC event at a private residence.

Later in the afternoon, she will tape an appearance for "The Tonight Show Starring Jimmy Fallon" that will air Thursday night.

ANNA SANDERS

Under investigation

Man fatally hits brother in the head with cooking pot

Police found a man dead inside a Queens home Tuesday afternoon after an altercation with a family member.

According to police, Jason Tolentino, 30, was struck in the head with

a cooking pot by his brother at their home in South Ozone Park.

After finding the victim unresponsive and still on the floor, EMS took Tolentino to Jamaica Hospital, where he was pronounced dead.

The brother is in custody but not under arrest as the investigation continues, police said on Wednesday.

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Caution

Falling ice from new WTC closes part of highway

Parts of the West Side Highway were closed Wednesday after huge chunks of ice fell from One World Trade Center, officials said.

Traffic was snarled on both sides of the closure, which extended from the Battery Park Underpass



One World Trade Center
GETTY IMAGES

to Murray Street, with southbound traffic stopping at Canal Street, according to the Office of Emergency Management.

Police started receiving reports of falling ice around 8:30 a.m.

The lanes were closed for around six hours, reopening with delays by 3:30 p.m.

No one was injured because of the ice, police said. **ANNA SANDERS**

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The United Federation of Teachers is one of the union contracts the city has to deal with. / GETTY IMAGES

Stringer: 'Critical' for city to settle labor contracts

Looming threat. The city government owes workers \$7 billion in back pay.

The city needs to settle its 151 outstanding labor contracts within four months, said New York City Comptroller Scott Stringer on Wednesday.

One week after Mayor Bill de Blasio released his first preliminary budget, Stringer described the presentation as prudent, applauding its fiscal responsibility in saving \$1.3 billion in reserve funds.

How that budget surplus reconciles with \$7 billion in back pay for 300,000 municipal workers remains unclear. Stringer said part of it could come from the surplus, but he implored the administration to address the issue as soon as possible.

Calling it the elephant in the room, Stringer said retroactive pay remains an issue for all city workers. Any potential back pay needs to be funded within the same year contracts are settled, he said.

As a result, Stringer said it was critical for the city and unions to come to agreement by June 30, the City Council's dead-

Pressing issue

"It's a complex and daunting task, negotiating through this landscape."

Scott Stringer

line to finalize the city's new budget.

"If we do not have clear resolution of the cost of labor settlements by around June 30, we run the risk of the decision made for the taxpayers by arbitration panels," he said.

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Transportation

Port Authority says 'sorry' for bridge backup

Board members of the Port Authority of New York and New Jersey offered an apology on Wednesday for the September traffic jam that snarled the George Washington Bridge as they opened a review into reforming the Port Authority.

The board said that the review will be "forward-looking."

REUTERS

Attack. Witness saves woman from rape try

Police arrested a man who tried to rape a 19-year-old woman on an East Harlem street Tuesday after a witness called 911 and thwarted the attack.

The victim was walking along Madison Avenue about 4:30 a.m. when Demetrius Edwards, 34, grabbed her and repeatedly slammed her head against the ice and snow, police said.

Meanwhile, a witness called 911.



Demetrius Edwards / NYPD

Cops arrested Edwards a short time later and charged him with attempted rape. LAURA SHIN

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AG effort helps the wrongfully convicted in NY

Justice. The Unjust Imprisonment Act would make it easier for people wrongly imprisoned to be compensated.

Attorney General Eric Schneiderman proposed new legislation Wednesday that would reduce roadblocks for wrongfully convicted New Yorkers seeking compensation.

The bill, also known as the Unjust Imprisonment Act, would update a law that limited claims for compensation only to individuals who "did not by his own conduct cause or bring about" their convictions.

"Those who are wrongfully convicted and unjustly deprived of liberty must be allowed to put their lives back together again, and we have a moral obligation to help them do so," Schneiderman said in a statement.

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By the numbers

50%

According to national legal nonprofit the Innocence Project, a little more than half of the 27 people exonerated by DNA in New York state received compensation for their wrongful convictions.

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Twelve New Yorkers have yet to receive compensation after their exonerations.



Jeffrey Deskovic served 16 years for a murder he didn't commit and received money for being wrongfully imprisoned. / GETTY IMAGES

Coming to Albany

Brooklyn Assemblyman Joseph Lentol is slated to introduce the bill at Schneiderman's request.

• "This is not a jailbreak," Lentol explained.

• The bill, he said, only opens a door for those who have been shut out by the existing law from the opportunity to seek compensation for time wrongfully served.

Education

Principal to be fired over lateness

The city's Department of Education is firing a Queens elementary school principal after an investigation revealed she was regularly late to work.

According to Special Commissioner of Investigation Richard Condon, Marcella Sills of P.S. 106 was "frequently late or absent from work but received her full salary without any time being deducted."

The DOE has taken steps to terminate Sills, the New York Post reported. LAURA SHIN

Protection. Survey says condom use lowest in Greenpoint

Most New Yorkers continue to have sex without condoms and their use is lowest in Greenpoint, Brooklyn, according to a recent Health Department survey.

After surveying some 8,500 New Yorkers, the Health Department found that only 14.2 percent of sexually-active Greenpoint residents said they or their partners used a condom the last time they had sex.

The 2012 Community Health Survey also found 31.8 percent of New Yorkers used condoms the last time they had sex.



Condom / GETTY IMAGES

The Health Department noted in a statement that condom use has been increasing for people at risk for HIV in the last decade. ANNA SANDERS



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Berkut riot police shoot rubber bullets toward anti-government protesters on Independence Square on Wednesday in Kiev, Ukraine. / GETTY IMAGES

United States urges Ukraine to call truce

Deadly. At least 26 people were killed after riot police entered Independence Square on Tuesday.

Quoted

"I think the scenes that we saw in Kiev yesterday were completely outrageous and have no place in the 21st century."

Rhodes

The United States on Wednesday urged the Ukrainian government to pull back riot police from Independence Square in Kiev, call a truce and hold discussions with the opposition after at least 26 people died in the worst violence since the former Soviet republic gained independence.

White House Deputy National Security Advis-

er Ben Rhodes said the United States would consider the use of sanctions against those responsible for the violence in Ukraine.

He said the United States would like to see Russia support efforts to reduce tensions in Ukraine.

REUTERS

Condemnation

EU to hold meeting on sanctions

European Union leaders condemned what they called "the unjustified use of excessive force by the Ukrainian authorities" in Kiev and said they were urgently preparing targeted sanctions against officials responsible for the crackdown.

EU officials said President Viktor Yanukovich would not be on the list to keep channels of dialogue open. The foreign ministers of Germany, France and Poland will visit him on Thursday, hours before an emergency EU meeting to decide on the sanctions.

REUTERS

President Obama

Order signed to speed up export approvals

President Barack Obama signed an executive order on Wednesday that will attempt to speed from days to minutes how quickly small businesses gain U.S. government approval for exports or imports.

The order is the latest

example of Obama using executive authority to act on his own where he can without needing congressional approval.

"Trade is critical to the nation's prosperity — fueling economic growth, supporting good jobs at home, raising living standards and helping Americans provide for their families with affordable goods and services,"

the order said.

Obama's move has the aim of cutting the time needed for processing and approving for small businesses that export American-made goods.

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Jury in Florida loud music trial voted 9-3 to convict: Juror No. 4

Deliberations.

Jurors' arguments often resulted in screaming and profanity.

The Florida jury in the loud music murder trial of Michael Dunn voted 9-3 in favor of convicting the 47-year-old software engineer of first-degree murder, a member of the panel said in a television interview.

Identified only as Valerie, and Juror No. 4, she said Dunn, who is white, got away with killing black teenager Jordan Davis.

"A life was taken. There is no longer a Jordan Davis, and there is only one



Jordan Davis / FACEBOOK

reason why that is. The boy was shot and killed for reasons that should not have happened," the juror, a home health care nurse administrator, told ABC's "Nightline" news show on Wednesday.

"Do you think Michael Dunn got away with murder?" an interviewer asked.

"At this point, I do, yes," Valerie said. "To me, it was

Bullets

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Dunn fired 10 rounds at an SUV carrying Davis, 17, and three other black teens in a Jacksonville gas station parking lot in November 2012 after a disagreement over the teens playing loud rap music.

unnecessary."

Valerie said the 12-member jury realized within its first hour of deliberations that it would not be able to reach a unanimous verdict on the first-degree murder charge because two jurors initially, and three in the final vote, believed Dunn was justified in shooting under Florida's self-de-

fense laws.

The jury on Saturday convicted Dunn on three counts of attempted murder and one count of shooting into an occupied vehicle. He faces a minimum of 60 years in prison.

But the jury could not reach a verdict on the most serious charge of first-degree murder in the killing of Davis, who was in the backseat.

Judge Russell Healey declared a mistrial on that count, and prosecutors vowed to re-try Dunn.

The case has drawn comparisons to the self-defense trial of George Zimmerman who was acquitted last year of murder in the shooting of an unarmed, black 17-year-old, Trayvon Martin. **REUTERS**

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To stoke interest

LinkedIn opens 'Influencer' blogs to all members

LinkedIn Corp. is attempting to become more like Facebook Inc. by encouraging all members to generate a steady stream of shareable articles, a perk once available only to well-known business personalities.

The move, which the company hopes will generate more interest in the site, comes two weeks after LinkedIn disclosed that page views slipped for the second consecutive quarter. **REUTERS**



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Zimbabwe

Former congressman denies pornography charge

Former congressman Mel Reynolds pleaded not guilty on Wednesday to charges of possessing pornographic images and videos, two days after his arrest at a hotel in Zimbabwe.

Reynolds, 62, a convicted sex offender in the United States, will also face charges today of staying in the southern African country without a valid visa.

Lawyer Arthur Gurira entered a "not guilty" plea on behalf of Reynolds, who sat in the dock. **REUTERS**



MEL REYNOLDS
GETTY IMAGES



Labor. VW workers may block southern US deals if no unions

Volkswagen's top labor representative threatened on Wednesday to try to block further investments by the German carmaker in the southern United States if its workers there are not unionized.

Workers at VW's factory in Chattanooga, Tenn., last Friday voted against representation by the United Auto Workers union, rejecting efforts by VW representatives to set up a German-style works council at the plant.

German workers enjoy considerable influence over company decisions under the legacy

enshrined "co-determination" principle, which is anathema to many politicians in the U.S. who see organized labor as a threat to profits and job growth.

Chattanooga is VW's only factory in the U.S. and one of the company's few in the world without a works council.

"I can imagine fairly well that another VW factory in the United States, provided that one more should still be set up there, does not necessarily have to be assigned to the South again," said Bernd Osterloh, head of VW's works council.

"If co-determination isn't guaranteed in the first place, we as workers will hardly be able to vote in favor" of potentially building another plant in the U.S. South, Osterloh, who is also on VW's supervisory board, said.

REUTERS

Panel

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The 20-member panel — evenly split between labor and management — has to approve any decision on closing plants or building new ones.



Apache pilots to see targets in color

The U.S. Army has unveiled new technology that will for the first time allow AH-64 Apache helicopter pilots to see targeting and surveillance data in full, high-resolution color, instead of the fuzzy black and white images they get now. An Army official said new sensors developed by Lockheed Martin Corp., over the past four years could help avoid mistakes such as the 2007 attack by two U.S. Apache helicopters that killed 12 people in Baghdad, including two Reuters news staff, after they were mistaken for armed insurgents. **REUTERS** / GETTY IMAGES

'Net neutrality'

Regulator will write new Internet rules

U.S. federal regulators will once again try to set rules that make sure broadband providers do not block or slow access to content on the Internet, or charge content providers like Netflix or Amazon for faster Web service.

The Federal Communications Commission's plan for new so-called "net neutrality" rules comes a month after a U.S. court struck down their previous iteration.

The U.S. Court of Appeals for the District of Columbia Circuit in January said the FCC, in adopting the 2010 open Internet order, improperly treated Internet service providers as regulated public utilities providing telecommunications services, like telephone companies, while they were actually classified as information service providers. **REUTERS**

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Stormy ending

NJ Transit chief resigns

New Jersey Transit's chief resigned after two recent stumbles, the latest transportation official appointed by Gov. Chris Christie to leave. James Weinstein, appointed by Christie in

2010, will leave office on March 2, the agency said Wednesday.

The governor's office announced his resignation but did not give a reason for his departure as head of the nation's third largest mass transit agency.

Weinstein was heavily criticized for poor planning during the Super Bowl, in which thousands were left stranded, and superstorm Sandy, when commuter train cars were parked in an area that was later flooded by the storm. **REUTERS**

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By the numbers

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Vienna topped the survey for the fifth year in a row.

Vienna tops list of most livable cities

Vienna, Austria's opulent capital, offers the best quality of life of any city in the world and Baghdad the worst, according to the latest global survey from the consulting firm Mercer. German and Swiss cities also performed especially well in the annual quality of living rankings. Zurich, Munich, Dusseldorf and Frankfurt made the top 10. **REUTERS** /GETTY IMAGES

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Gold trove prompts talk of Nibelung treasure

A hobby archaeologist with a metal detector has discovered a trove of gold and silver in a German forest dating back to late Roman times, fuelling speculation it could be the legendary Nibelung treasure that inspired Richard Wagner's opera cycle. The haul, worth about 1 million euros, includes silver bowls, brooches and other jewelry from robes and small statues that adorned a grand chair. According to Nibelung legend, the warrior Hagen killed the dragon-slayer Siegfried and sank his treasure in the Rhine. **REUTERS/GETTY IMAGES**

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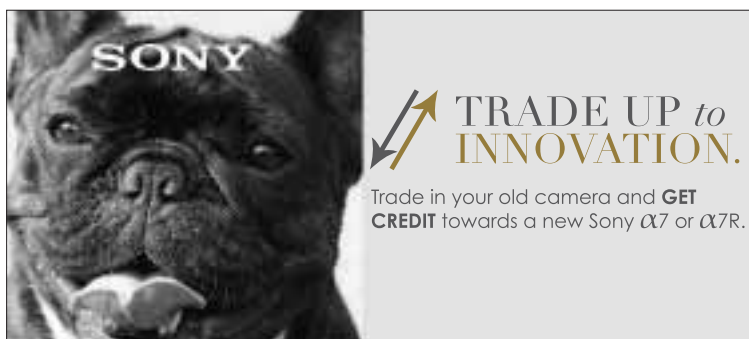
Internet controls ignite public anger

From a campaign to "unfollow" President Abdullah Gul on Twitter to an opposition appeal to Turkey's highest court, Turks vented their anger on Wednesday at a new law tightening government control of the Internet.

Gul approved the legislation, which will let the authorities block Web pages within hours and collect data such as users' browsing histories, late on Tuesday, bolstering Prime Minister Tayyip Erdogan but raising renewed concerns about free speech.

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Winter Olympics. Ligety takes first slalom gold for US



1 American **Ted Ligety** came through with the United States' first alpine skiing gold in Sochi Wednesday. The defending world champion in giant slalom took the country's first-ever Olympic gold in the same event. U.S. women's skier Mikaela Shiffrin, the defending world champion in regular slalom, will get a chance to go for a gold tomorrow at 7:45 a.m.

2 The tremendously named **Vic Wild** took gold in men's snowboard parallel giant slalom. Wild is actually from White Salmon, Wash., but competes for Russia after marrying fellow snowboarder Alena Zavarzina. She took bronze in the women's event Wednesday.

3 The Adler Arena Skating Center has been dominated in historic fashion by the Netherlands. The Dutch have won 21 of their 22 medals in long track speed skating. But Czech Republic's **Martina Sablikova** hushed the orange-clad fans — and let them know about it — with a gold in the women's 5,000 meters. The Dutch still took silver and bronze.

4 The United States took silver and bronze in the women's two-man bobsled Wednesday, with **Elana Meyers**, far left, and former Summer Olympian **Laurn Williams**, second from left, earning silver. The pair led after three of four runs.

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Medal count

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2. Russia	6	9	7	22
Holland	6	7	9	22
4. Norway	9	4	7	20
5. Canada	5	9	4	18
6. Germany	8	3	4	15
7. France	3	2	6	11
Sweden	2	5	4	11
9. Switz.	6	3	1	10
10. Austria	2	6	1	9



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'Queen Yuna' on top, Gold in fourth

South Korea's Yuna Kim, top, is the heavy favorite in ladies figure skating, despite not competing on the world circuit, and stands in first after the short program Wednesday. Russia's 15-year-old sensation Yulia Lipnitskaya, bottom, fell — opening up a chance for American teen Gracie Gold, inset, to medal. She stands in fourth place with the long program today.



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Harry? That you? Nope. Just Kristen Wiig dressing up like the One Direction member on “The Tonight Show Starring Jimmy Fallon” on Tuesday. Her commitment to the character only went skin-deep though: As soon as she began to answer questions as “Harry,” it was clear she didn’t know One Direction from a handsome, tuneful hole in the ground. Three nights in, “The Tonight Show” under Fallon’s watch is going great: Between 9 and 10 million people tuned in to watch his debut on Monday night, beating all other late-night shows in the ratings.



MELINDA TAUB

Ellen DeGeneres is eager to put to rest rumors circulating in some tabloids that her marriage to Portia De Rossi is on the rocks. “The tabloids had a photo of Portia not wearing her wedding ring. She goes, ‘I didn’t wear it because when I ride horses and I’m holding the reins, it gives me a blister,’” DeGeneres explains to *People* magazine. “The truth is — and this is corny — I fall more in love with Portia all the time. I really do.”



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Last April, at 88, showbiz legend Elaine Stritch followed through on a long-time threat: She moved out of New York City. It seemed an era had finally come to an end. But she's back for now, promoting her new documentary, "Elaine Stritch: Shoot Me," with her trademark saltiness. (Just yesterday she dropped the bomb on "Today.") The film is an intimate (and honest) look at the singer and performer (perhaps known to most as Jack Donaghy's tyrannical mom on "30 Rock"), as she scares and delights people — sometimes the same people.



ELAINE STRITCH

A legend returns to New York City to promote her documentary profile, "Elaine Stritch: Shoot Me."

PUT ON A HAPPY FACE

You seemed a bit down on New York City when you left and even said later you don't miss it. How does it feel being back, if only for a visit?
I love it. I'm happy to be back and I'm happy to see old friends. I could tell you all my problems, but I really don't feel like it. My favorite song has turned out to be [starts singing], "Gray skies are gonna clear up/Put on a happy face."

What's the experience like for you watching this documentary?
It's revealing, and it makes me happy that I was able to be that brutally honest with myself, more than even other people.

Are you OK watching yourself?
Oh, it scares me to death, scares me to death. Of course it does. Can you imagine — have you ever watched yourself perform?

There have been conflicting reports that you're retired. What's the official word?
No, I'm not at all. I'd do a good play in a New York minute, as they say. OK?

So you're just relaxing?
It's my favorite thing in the world to do. I'll tell you, I'm tired, and I have every right to be tired. I always think, "Oh God, you must work every day and earn your keep," and it's a lot of bulls—. I mean that! I want to sit and relax and laugh. I'm very happy to sit back and get paid a few bucks.

You joined Twitter last weekend. You only have a few tweets so far. How are you finding it?
Honesty, I haven't been

awake long enough to know what it's like. Somebody just convinced me to join Twitter, so I said, "Alright, I will!" I don't feel any different. It's the only advice I've ever taken from anybody. I don't know if it costs money, or if it doesn't cost money. I don't know what the hell it is!

In the film you say you now allow yourself, after 20 years of sobriety, one drink a day. You still at that?
More or less, yes. More is better than less. [Laughs] I'm doing fine with that. I don't have the urge to drink more. The few that I have taste awful good.



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Moving pictures

On screen

Not many people ask you about the few movies you've made.
I know they don't. They're scared to death to ask me! I made a couple very interesting films, not big, successful movies.

One of those is "Providence," the 1977 art film by Alain Resnais.
Thank you so much for saying that. I love that movie. I thought we all did a good job in that movie. And I loved Dirk Bogarde like he was my brother. He treated me like nine million bucks.

What was your experience of making that film?
Just working with fine actors. Working with John Gielgud, working with John Gielgud, working with John Gielgud. [Laughs]

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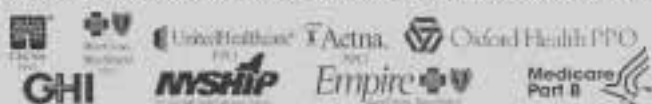
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Must see

'3 Days to Kill'

1 Once upon a time Kevin Costner was the biggest star in the world. After ages filing ace supporting work, he's starring in everything this year, starting with this action-drama about a dying assassin trying to reconnect with his daughter (Hailee Steinfeld).



Kevin Costner returns to lead duties in "3 Days to Kill." / JULIAN TORRES

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Metro rounds up what's in cinemas this week.

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**2 'Pompeii'**

Spoiler: Mount Vesuvius erupts and wipes out everyone on the island of Pompeii. Before that happens, there's some Roman intrigue to be had, some of it involving a "Gladiator" knockoff starring a "Game of Thrones" stud.

3 'The Wind Rises'

Legendary Japanese animator Hayao Miyazaki ("My Neighbor Totoro," "Spirited Away") once claimed this study of a man who designed WWII fighter planes was his retirement film. Then he said he wasn't retiring. We're not sure whether he means it, but you should still see this.

4 'Elaine Stritch: Shoot Me'

Speaking of retiring, Elaine Stritch, now 89, hasn't called it quits, even though she did leave New York for Birmingham, Mich. This documentary catches her before her move, looking back on her long, illustrious and often salty life.



Kit Harrington tries not to perish in "Pompeii." Good luck!
GEORGE KRAYCHYK

5 'Omar'

"Paradise Now" filmmaker Hany Abu-Assad returns with another prickly look at Palestinian-Israeli relations, with a young freedom fighter being forced into becoming an informant after the assassination of a soldier.

6 'Child's Pose'

The latest import from the fruitful Romanian New Wave stars "Death of Mr. Lazarescu"'s excellent Luminita Gheorghiu as a mother fighting tirelessly to keep her son, accused of manslaughter, out of prison, no matter what it may take.

7 'In Secret'

Elizabeth Olsen headlines this take on Emile Zola's "Therese Raquin," concerning a young woman who conspires with her lover (Oscar Isaac) to do away with the man she was forced to marry (Tom Felton). Jessica Lange plays her fearsome mother-in-law with no doubt lip-smacking glee.

8 'About Last Night'

In the 1980s, David Mamet's bleak and coarse "Sexual Perversity in Chicago" was pounded into a rom-com with Demi Moore and Rob Lowe. Now it's a Kevin Hart vehicle, which is more like it.

9 'RoboCop'

Paul Verhoeven hasn't directed a feature fiction film in almost 10 years, but cinemas are clogged with remakes of his work. The latest (after "Total Recall," with "Starship Troopers" forthcoming) turns one of cinema's most violent films into a PG-13 romp — albeit with Michael Keaton and Sam Jackson.

10 'The Lego Movie'

If the idea of a movie based on the plastic toy blocks seems inexplicable, at least someone was passionate enough to hire talented "21 Jump Street" guys Phil Lord and Chris Miller to do it. At least some of it will be awesome.

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'The Daily Show with Jon Stewart'

The son of Mia Farrow and Woody Allen (or Frank Sinatra — who really knows?) Ronan Farrow pays a visit to "The Daily Show." He's there to talk



RONAN FARROW / WIREIMAGE

about his new show on MSNBC, but let's hope we'll also hear more about his dysfunctional family. **11 P.M., COMEDY**

DRAMA

'Rake'

Another show about a lawyer, but don't skip this one. Greg Kinnear plays criminal defense attorney Keegan, whose personal life is as messy as his clients'. Tonight his case is a chef accused of bigamy. See if he cracks it. **9 P.M., FOX**

REALITY

'The Taste'

The finale is upon us. The four remaining chefs will prepare meals using tripe, liver, Wagyu beef, scallops and foie gras. Maybe it's a good thing you'll only be watching from home, right? **8 P.M., ABC**
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A color version of Georges Méliès' 1902 film "A Trip to the Moon" was discovered in 1993. / FLICKER ALLEY

Online. "The Extraordinary Voyage" details the preservation of 1902's "A Trip to the Moon."

As anyone who saw Martin Scorsese's "Hugo" knows, French filmmaker Georges Méliès churned out hundreds of wondrous, magical films during the infancy of cinema. Many — in fact, most — of them have gone utterly lost. His 1902 space opus "A Trip to the Moon" not only survived but has thrived, and has long been recognized as one of the first known films to marry narrative with special effects. Its history is detailed in "The Extraordinary Voyage," a fascinating, loving documentary you can stream on our site.

One thing the doc reveals is that "A Trip to the Moon" was lucky not once but twice. That a copy survives at all is miraculous enough, but then there's the discovery of a second edition. Among a pile of hundreds of film reels donated anonymously to a Spanish archive in 1993 was a hand-colored version of the film. It was not in good

shape. Like many from the era, it had been neglected, allowed to rot in a musty film can. It still fared better than most: About 90 percent of cinema made before 1929 is missing completely.

"The Extraordinary Voyage" gives viewers a history of Méliès' film. But it's the salvation effort that's even more transfixing. The doc pores over people stitching the film into a viewable shape via computers, digitally adding missing portions of individual frames. It's exciting and moving watching history be reclaimed, even if it leaves you wondering what will become of our digital age. Celluloid film can decay or be burned (it's highly flammable), but digital work can be wiped out with a single keystroke. Back up your stuff.



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'JUST BUSY BEING ME'



Stephen Malkmus and the Jicks play sold out shows at the Bowery Ballroom and Music Hall of Williamsburg, next Wednesday and Thursday, respectively. / LEAH NASH

Interview. Jicks frontman Stephen Malkmus talks smart classic rock and accidental Pavement rip-offs.

When we tell Stephen Malkmus that a lot of the songs on his new album with The Jicks, "Wig Out at Jagbags" sound like classic rock, but with lyrics that are likely too clever for casual classic rock fans to embrace, we accidentally tap into a vein of existential angst.

"It doesn't last long, it doesn't really give you a payoff, it's like a tease, a tease of that kind of stuff; an elusive classic rock with no payoff," he begins to consider. "That's sort of what I feel like life is often like. The big payoffs, we know they are false and we know that they have

already been done. It's like we know our presidents lie and that there are huge losers in capitalism. It's part of our identity in this era."

But Malkmus seems like he's OK with his identity in this era. The indie rock veteran has been taking his kids, aged 6 and 9, to see concerts by pop acts like Macklemore & Ryan Lewis and Lorde.

"I think that's how music is too," he continues. "I can get transported by a person's voice occasionally, and when it's the right mix of some emotion, just luckily sometimes, I can feel something transcendent occasionally, but even then I am kind of left just saying, 'Oh hey, nice work! They pulled that off!'"

If Malkmus sounds cynical in conversation, the content on "Wig Out" is at the opposite end of the spectrum. There's the aforementioned "elusive classic rock" sound, as

well as sounds that are almost easy listening. The lyrics feel dashed off, but are never cliché. On "Independent Street," one of the most classic rock "Wig Out" tracks, he sings, "I don't have the stomach for your brandy/I can hardly sip your tea/I don't have no teeth left for your candy/I'm just busy being me."

For as long as Malkmus has been writing songs, he's always been him, defying conventions, especially in his noisy beginnings with Pavement. But one has to wonder, will Malkmus ever take an honest stab at something that does give the masses that payoff?

"There's no point to do that for us," he says. "I have thought about it, I understand it and I appreciate the simple genius of people that can do that. I don't think it's anything really to talk down about, I just don't do it. Maybe I can't do it."

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"The big payoffs, we know they are false and we know that they have already been done. It's like we know our presidents lie and that there are huge losers in capitalism. It's part of our identity in this era." Malkmus

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Running on Pavement

On the new Jicks song "J Smoov," a horn plays a light riff that sounds a lot like the "nanny nanny boo boo" melody of the Pavement song, "Stereo." This is news to Malkmus.

"Good point! I didn't think of that," he says. "I don't even think the guy who played that knew. The guy that did that he was just really talented, I just ran three horn solos, and he just did that. There was a time where we thought we were going to use part

one of that solo, because you know how you can mix and match, but then we just ran out of time and got lazy and it was good, so we kept it in there."



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Few New Yorkers hustling on the mean streets of 1970s and '80s considered it to be the "golden age" of anything. But from the grit, a new voice of the street emerged: graffiti art.

Reviled in its heyday, this craft found support in a few savvy artists like Martin Wong, who began collecting hundreds of

mixed-media paintings — on canvas, cardboard, paper and plywood. Prior to his death in 1999, he entrusted his collection to the Museum of the City of New York.

"City as Canvas" is now showing, catching the wave of interest sparked by Banksy's recent residence, as well as the closure of

aerosol art mecca 5Pointz. It has 150 pieces on display, several of which go back to the early days of the graffiti art movement.

"Wicked Gary's Tag Collection" (1970-1972) displays a mosaic of 70 ink-drawn "tags" by early '70s graffiti artists like PHASE 2, COCO 144 and SNAKE I.

But there's more magic in "Transition" (1982), a work by Christopher Ellis, aka DAZE, which celebrates his days painting subway cars.

The quality of these works only underscore the

Museum. Top works from the 'golden age' of graffiti are now on display.

declaration in "Howard the Duck" (1988) by Lee Quinones, aka LEE: "Graffiti is a art and if art is a crime, let God forgive all."

Nostalgia reigns at "The Death of Graffiti" (1982), by Sandra Fabara, aka Lady Pink, which prophesies a future "sanitized" New York. It's here that conversations in the room turn to yesteryear, when the city was still ruled by the streets — and its artists.

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Pieces of art on display

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The new faces we loved from LFW

As we head to Milan, let's reflect on the gaggle of buzzworthy designers on London's fall '14 lineup. Don't get us wrong — we still love the likes of Paul Smith and Burberry — but here are the new names to add to your shopping list. **ALICE TATE**



Sophia Webster

After one short season in London, Sophia reigns as the buzziest shoe designer to show. She's got a penchant for PVC, kitsch and color — and she already has a pretty mammoth global stock list.



Huishan Zhang

He's no newcomer to Fashion Week, but this year the designer comes with extra ammunition in the form of the Dorchester Collection Fashion Prize.

Whistles

The slick British retailer has successfully made the jump from high-street to high-fashion via off-schedule shows for the last two seasons. But this year they've scored a spot on the official LFW schedule.



Shrimps

Making faux-fur well and truly cool again is Hannah Weiland of the new brand Shrimps. Using quality fabrics and a bold use of color, her furry coats and bright bags are fun, creative and slightly nostalgic, harkening back to the Swinging '60s. The young designer, who held a presentation at LFW, is already profiled in Vogue and stocked in the likes of Opening Ceremony.



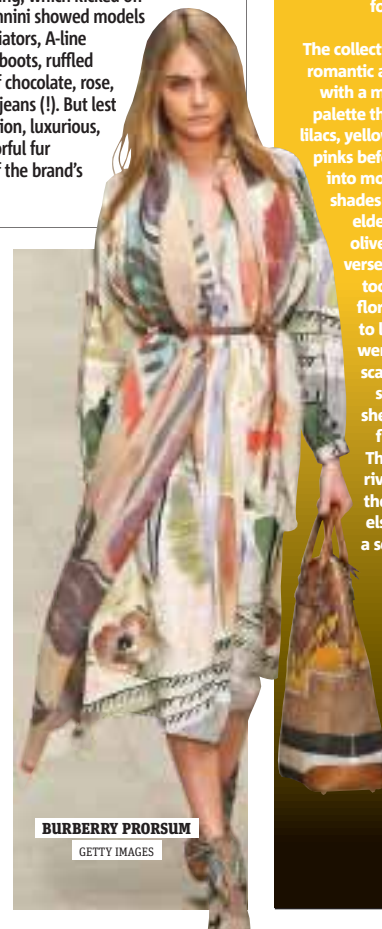
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Gucci gets groovy

There have been several nods to mod fashion throughout the show circuit, and the '60s were swingin' during Gucci's fall collection on Wednesday morning, which kicked off Milan Fashion Week. Frida Giannini showed models in fitted suits with oversized aviators, A-line dresses with groovy knee-high boots, ruffled blouses in dusty retro shades of chocolate, rose, teal, olive and, wait for it, blue jeans (!). But lest you think this is a casual collection, luxurious, buttery leathers and plush, colorful fur coats brought a healthy dose of the brand's signature glam. **TINA CHADHA**

Mother of Pearl

Famed for fusing contrasting aesthetics, Mother of Pearl is the brainchild of Maia Norman. Expect to see covetable sporty pieces in luxury fabrics.



BURBERRY PRORSUM
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PLUS

Boho's in Britain

Burberry Prorsum

Burberry went Bohemian for fall with painterly silks, printed scarf dresses, slouchy trench coats and hand-painted decoration. This was Christopher Bailey's first season in his new joint role of CCO and CEO, and as proven by the smile on Anna Wintour's face, his design work doesn't seem to be suffering for it.

The collection was both romantic and dynamic with a muted color palette that featured lilacs, yellows and dusky pinks before sweeping into more autumnal shades of burgundy, elderberry and olive. Motifs traversed the seasons too: Summery florals gave way to leaves, which were beautifully scattered across silk dresses, sheer skirts and floaty coats. Then winter arrived by way of the finale: models swaddled in a series of thick, checkered blankets, which are sure to be a must-have accessory for fall.

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Tinder fails that will never work (ever)



Get appy. No matter how great your abs are, these pickup lines will never work, so stay away.

If you are easily offended or sensitive to weirdos, Tin-

der probably isn't the app for you. Tinder users go to crazy extremes to avoid falling into the cracks of never-ending pickup lines — and not in an endearing way. The following pickup lines are not recommended, and prove that Tinder users will say wild things in the name of dating.

Do not text this

'Heavenly blessed beauty, if permitted, I would ravish you with the force of 300 Spartan soldiers'

Is it just us or does this sound a little scary? In fact, it serves more as a warning than a come-on — as if he's saying, "If you give me the opportunity, I will attack you." Well

thanks for the heads up, buddy. I'll keep that in mind.

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Here are a few of the biggest Tinder fails of all time; they won't lead you to love and they definitely won't get you laid.

'Daddy likes'

One thing my daddy definitely does not like is you.

"Sup, cutie, wanna dance on my boat?"

I mean ... kinda ... but you might chop me up and throw me in the river afterward. And that's if you even have a boat.

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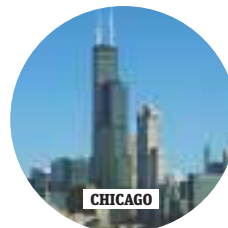
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Love. For once, New York is not at the top of a depressing list

A new study ranked the most heartbroken U.S. cities and — guess what? — New York isn't at the top! Researchers based the study on how long marriages last in each state, the number of dating services available and the level of happiness based on the Gallup-Healthways Well-Being Index.

Sliding in at No. 1 is Chicago. Check out the full list below:

- 10. San Diego, Calif.
- 9. Phoenix, Ariz.
- 8. Los Angeles, Calif.
- 7. Dallas, Texas



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- 6. Baltimore, Md.
- 5. Houston, Texas
- 4. Riverdale, Calif.
- 3. New York, N.Y.
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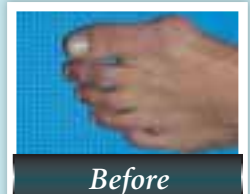
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The stats don't lie



Patti Stanger, Perez Hilton and Dr. Emily Morse talk sex at a recent Match.com event. / GETTY IMAGES

Redheads orgasm most. That is just one of the shocking facts we learned from Match.com's "Singles in America" survey.

Match.com invited celebrity blogger Perez Hilton, sex expert and Bravo TV star Dr. Emily Morse and millionaire matchmaker Patti Stanger to discuss the results of its survey, "Singles in America." We have the results — and the reactions.

The fact: Single women with red hair have the most orgasms.

What it means: Visit your hairdresser ASAP and get those locks dyed.

What people are saying: "I'm dyeing my hair tomorrow. Or today!"

DR. EMILY MORSE

"When I lived here in New York City I colored my hair bright red for a year, and I had more sex than I ever had before. Not commitment, but sex!"

PATTI STANGER

The fact: Seventy-four percent of men would be comfortable dating a woman who has had more

previous sexual partners than they did.

What it means: Don't hold back. He won't judge you.

What people are saying: "I have a strong opinion on this one. It should be a 'Don't ask, don't tell' question. Even if he asks, it can never lead down a good road. Never answer and just tell your partner that you never had better sex than now!"

MORSE

The fact: Only 15 percent of men and 12 percent of women say they'd ideally want to have sex every day.

What it means: It's OK to have a headache sometimes.

What people are saying: "I want it at least once a day."

HILTON

"My problem is when I'm really busy I don't want sex. But give me a vacation and I'll give it to you 17 times a day. But I'm not

Quoted

"My problem is when I'm really busy I don't want sex. But give me a vacation and I'll give it to you 17 times a day."

STANGER

normal, I think." **STANGER**

The fact: Both genders agree that 10 p.m. is the ideal time to have sex.

What it means: Get it done and look forward to a good night's sleep.

What people are saying: "I don't like the poke-poke in the morning. Get off of me, motherf—er. I'm sleeping, and with Brad Pitt in my dreams!"

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Another fact

Meeting online is the No. 1 way singles found their last first date

What it means: Don't go out on weekends. Get a glass of wine, turn on your computer and find a date at home.

What people are saying: "The funny thing is that

my New Year's resolution for 2014 is to try and be sluttier. But instead of being slutty, now I've already gone on 12 dates this year. And I only had sex once!"

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Congrats, chefs

The James Beard Foundation Wednesday announced its semi-finalists for 2014 Restaurant and Chef Award categories, and NYC stars got plenty of love. We'll get our winners when the 2014 James Beard Awards are held in on May 2 and 5, but for now, congratulations are in order for these chefs. See the full list at Metro.us.

Best New Restaurant

- Betony
- Carbone
- The Elm
- Estela
- Uncle Boons

Outstanding Bar Program

- The Bar at the NoMad
- Hotel
- The Dead Rabbit
- Maison Premiere

Outstanding Chef

- Michael Anthony, Gramercy Tavern
- Andrew Carmellini, Locanda Verde
- Gabrielle Hamilton, Prune

Outstanding Pastry Chef

- Dominique Ansel, Dominique Ansel Bakery
- Matt Lewis and Renato Poliafitto, Baked
- Christina Tosi, Momofuku
- Jennifer Yee, Lafayette

Outstanding Restaurant Hearth

- Pearl Oyster Bar
- wd~50

Outstanding Wine Program

- Bar Boulud
- Momofuku Ssäm Bar
- Rouge Tomato

Visit Sochi without leaving New York

Olympic fever. Get your fix at these Russian restaurants.

some food to go with it, try the Chicken Kiev.

Mari Vanna

41 E. 20th St.,
212-777-1955

The interior here is old and elegant, with chandeliers and worn chairs. Order the beef stroganoff — it's hearty and creamy. Of course, this place is also all about the infused vodka. Try the horseradish, if you dare.

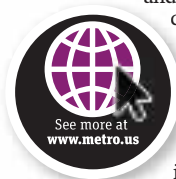
Anyway Cafe

34 E. Second St.,
212-533-3412

Russian Samovar

256 W. 52nd St.,
212-757-0168

We all remember the episode of "Sex and the City" where Aleksandr Petrovsky got Carrie out of bed to dine at a Russian restaurant. Luckily, 10 years later, that restaurant is still here. The infused vodka is a must-try, in flavors like cherry, lemon and pepper. And if you want



Velvet Borscht — with braised short rib, beetroot, oxtail consommé, homemade crème fraîche — is served at Ariana. / OLEG MARCH

New

Ariana

140 W. Houston St.,
646-678-4334

If you're afraid you might not like traditional Russian food, visit the newly opened Ariana, which is dedicated to contemporary interpretations of traditional Russian fare. Share small plates of country pate or pickle salad. Entrees include braised rabbit and stuffed cabbage.

Olympic deals

Sochi specials

1 Olympians, are you reading? **Lucky Strike** (www.bowl luckystrike.com) is offering complimentary bowling for the following achievements:

- Free bowling for life to any athlete who sets or breaks a world record
- Free bowling for the next four years to anyone who medals
- Free bowling for one year to all U.S. competitors

2 **Brother Jimmy's BBQ** (www.brotherjimmys.com) will give 10 percent off to anyone who has an American flag somewhere on their apparel.

3 **BottomzUp** (344 Third Ave., 646-918-7220) will dole out free White Russians whenever Team USA scores gold.

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Nasha Rasha

4 W. 19 St., 212-929-4444

This restaurant is a little piece of Russia in the middle of the city. Its decor is kitschy, the bartenders wear Russian garb and for \$30 you get an unlimited vodka hour.

Drink up. Here are the NYC Beer Week events you cannot miss

New York City Beer Week rolls into town Friday (and stays til March 2!), giving us an excuse to drink more than we normally do. We asked Kelly Taylor, VP & Treasurer of the NYC Brewers Guild and owner of KelSo Beer Company, for picks within the series. For the full lineup, visit www.newyorkcitybrewersguild.com.

1 "I'm super excited about our **2nd Annual KelSo beer dinner** on Feb. 25 at Applewood. It's a five-course craft beer dinner at one of our favorite restaurants in Brooklyn."

2 "Brewer Chris Cuzme at 508 Gastrobrewery is always up to some excellent brewing. On Feb. 23, he's presenting **Caskalot**. KelSo is bringing along our Pale Ale dry hopped with galaxy hops, which'll be presented alongside other cask conditioned ales from members of the NYC



This is the sixth annual Beer Week. / DAN D'IPPOLITO

Brewers Guild, including Brooklyn Brewery, Coney Island and more."

3 "The **Women in Beer happy hour** is a don't-miss event, taking place on Feb. 25 at Brooklyn Tap House. It's a great opportunity for women in the beer and bar biz to hang out, talk shop and celebrate NYC Beer Week."

4 "On Feb. 27, I'm really looking forward to the **happy hour with brewers** at Hudson Hotel. It will definitely be a fun hang session!"

5 "The **Opening Night Bash (Feb. 21) and Closing Beer Brunch (March 2)** will both be amazing events. The Opening Night Bash features 38 craft breweries for the biggest beer event to date at Vanderbilt Hall. It'll be awesome to celebrate the kickoff to Beer Week at such an iconic venue. At our Closing Beer Brunch at Houston Hall, the NYC Brewers Guild hosts a delicious brunch with lots of great brews. What could be better than beer and brunch?" **METRO**

Cocktail of the Week



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Saturday marks our favorite holiday of the year — National Margarita Day! Why this holiest of days is not celebrated during the summer is beyond us, but hey, with all the slush we've been pounded with, we could all use a marg right about now. Serve up a twist on the classic with this recipe from Chinaco tequila, which is the only tequila made outside of Mexico's Jalisco region (and therefore has a more aromatic flavor, which we're sure you'll love).

2 oz. Chinaco Blanco Tequila
1.5 oz. fresh lime juice
1 oz. agave syrup
Shake ingredients with ice. Strain into rocks glass over ice. Garnish with a lime wheel.

COMEDY

Story Pirates AfterDark

Saturday, 8:30 p.m.
Symphony Space,
2537 Broadway
\$20, 212-864-5400
www.symphonyspace.org
We've heard of First World problems, Third World problems and the like, but first-grade problems? Here's a sketch comedy for adults pulled from the notebooks of elementary school kids who write stories about huge issues like the shame of bed-wetting and cooties. These are our future world leaders and these are issues that must be tackled!

THEATER

America at the Turning Point: Conversations on 'All the Way'

Feb. 23, 12 p.m.
New World Stages,
340 W. 50th St.
\$100, 646-558-3839
www.exchangencyc.org/alltheway
Missing Bryan Cranston on your screen every Sunday night? Get your fix at this daylong symposium, where the actor will be on hand (along with writer and historian Doris Kearns Goodwin plus educator and Civil Rights activist Bob Moses) to chat all things "All the Way," Cranston's new Broadway show about LBJ's first years as president.

FOOD & DRINK

Yoga + Silent Dinner Pop Up

Imagination in Space x Pop Up Yoga NYC,
Feb. 24, 7:30 p.m.
EAT Greenpoint,
124 Meserole Ave.
\$65, 207-522-6715
www.imaginationinspace.com
It's the second installment of this foodie/fitness series. First, you'll take a 60-minute yoga class, then EAT Greenpoint chef Nick Nauman will cook a three-course silent dinner using just local organic ingredients. No awkward small talk here!

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"Wax on. Wax off, Daniel-san." / COLUMBIA PICTURES

'The Karate Kid' + Q&A with John G. Avildsen

Feb. 23, 11:45 a.m.
Nitehawk Cinema, 136 Metropolitan Ave., Williamsburg; \$11, 718-384-3980
www.nitehawkcinema.com
Kick your brunch up a notch with lessons from Mr. Miyagi at Nitehawk's "Lovers and Fighters" brunch series featuring "The Karate Kid." Daniel-san must learn to wax on, wax off before he can master the devastating crane kick. Catch a Q&A with director John G. Avildsen via Skype following the screening. HONK!

COMEDY



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Creed Bratton Live at Webster Hall

Thursday, 6:30 p.m.
Webster Hall,
125 E. 11th St.
\$25, 212-353-1600
www.websterhall.com
While Creed may be known for his parody of himself on "The Office," some may not realize that the "self" he is parodying was a guitar player for the highly successful '60s band The Grass Roots. Too bad it's unlikely he'll break out a guitar and play "Midnight Confessions" Thursday night.

279 Starr St., Bushwick Free, 917-865-8660
www.batchery.tumblr.com
Meet with a gang of NYC's local food makers and try samples of the best spices, sauces, condiments and more — all small batch, all local, plus vegan and non-vegan options. Makers include Brooklyn Delhi, Better Off Spread, The Jam Stand, Cocktail Crate, Mike's Hot Honey, Gustavo's Salsa, Fatty Cakes and more — and none of that Lite FM you hear at your grocery store.

FILM

Russ Meyer & Roger Ebert

Feb. 23, various times
Anthology Film Archives,
32 Second Ave.
\$10, 212-505-5181
www.anthologyfilmarchives.org
A follow-up to Anthology's summer Russ Meyer retrospective and a special tribute to the late Roger Ebert, here's a series of screenings exploring the collaborative work of both Meyer and Ebert. Ebert's best known as one of the most influential critics of our time, but he also provided two screenplays for Meyer's "Beyond the Valley of the Dolls" and the lesser known "Beneath the Valley of the Ultra Vixens,"

and contributed to the dialogue in "Up!" Warning: Meyer's big-breast obsession is very apparent in these films.

TOUR

Green-Wood Black History Month Tour

Saturday, 1 p.m.
Green-Wood Cemetery,
500 25th St., Greenwood Heights, \$20, 718-768-7300
www.green-wood.com
Green-Wood celebrates Black History Month with a trolley tour recognizing its permanent residents who helped change the course of history through their roles in the Civil War, the abolitionist movement, finance, music, the arts and more. Featured will be abolitionist Henry Ward Beecher, artist Jean-Michel Basquiat and more.

ART

Photo Exhibition A Stroll Through Coney Island Among Friends

FILM

'West Side Story' with Rita Moreno

Feb. 23, 4 p.m.
The United Palace,
4140 Broadway
\$10-\$15,
212-568-6700
www.unitedpalace.org
Hopefully you know the modern-day take on the classic tale of Romeo and Juliet, where the Montagues and Capulets have been replaced by the Jets and the Sharks — two warring NYC gangs. Show up dressed in a tux or gown and receive a free bag of popcorn at the concession stand. Have your questions ready for a Q & A with the legendary Rita Moreno, who played Anita in the movie. Think they'll ever remake this with Bloods and Crips?



RITA MORENO: STILL GORGEOUS AFTER ALL THESE YEARS.
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April 6, Noon
Shooting Gallery/Arts Annex,
1214 Surf Ave., Coney Island Free, www.coneyisland.com
Whether you're there to shoot the freak or an amazing photo, Coney Island's awe-inspiring ambience cannot go unnoticed. See the work of five local photographers who shoot Coney Island year-round even when icicles drip from the Cyclone and the Wonder Wheel sits idle. Wine will be served at the opening this Saturday.

PARTY

Our Princess Is In Another Castle: Street Fighter vs. Mortal Kombat

Feb. 23, 7:30 p.m.
Union Hall, 702 Union St., Park Slope, Free, 718-638-4400
www.unionhallnyc.com
It's time to party like it's the early '90s with "Street Fighter II Turbo" and "Mortal Kombat 2," except now you're actually old enough to drink beers while playing. Get your combos, fatalities and hadokens ready or simply keep pressing the B button — the worst of the worst

and best of the best will be rewarded with drinks.

Soul Clap & Dance Off MASH Nationals with DJ Jonathan Toubin

Saturday, 11:59 p.m.
Brooklyn Bowl,
61 Wythe Ave., Williamsburg
\$5-\$7, 718-963-3369
www.brooklynbowl.com
Presented by Brooklyn Brewery and MASH, it's the first ever Soul Clap and Dance Off National Championship. Brooklyn Brewery is flying in winners from all over to compete in a dance contest for \$1,000. Prove your skills to guest selector and professional partner Andrew W.K., DJ Jonathan Toubin and special guest judges.
JAY HONSTETTER

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Horoscope

Pisces | Feb. 19-March 20.
Engage in opportunities that will expand your mind and skill set. Explore alternate sources of entertainment.

Aries | March 21-April 20.
Flexibility will be necessary when dealing with a personal or business partner, and will also help to strengthen your union.

Taurus | April 21-May 21.
You may be feeling romantic, but caution must be taken where intimacy is concerned. Hurt feelings will develop if your actions are misinterpreted.

Gemini | May 22-June 20.
Let your imagination inspire you. Find a hobby that stimulates it. Your efforts may be rewarding if you market your new skills.

Cancer | June 21-July 22.
You mustn't allow others to stifle your talents. Follow your intuition and keep your dreams in sight. Your excellent memory is important.

Leo | July 23-Aug. 22.
Your home decor and improvement plans will prove challenging if you let someone meddle. Refrain from listening to anyone trying to deter you.

Virgo | Aug. 23-Sept. 22.
Get to know your friends and neighbors better. You can obtain information by listening and observing how others react.

Libra | Sept. 23-Oct. 22.
Don't jump to conclusions. The situation may turn out to be much different from the one you imagine. Do your homework.

Scorpio | Oct. 23-Nov. 21.
Take a look at your personal and business relationships. Someone you are dealing with may be looking for a firm commitment.

Sagittarius | Nov. 22-Dec. 21.
Resist telling anyone intimate details. Serious problems may arise if you are not mindful of someone else's privacy.

Capricorn | Dec. 22-Jan. 20.
Lighten up. Accepting invitations to social activities is a sure way to meet new and exciting people. A casual encounter may lead to a lasting friendship.

Aquarius | Jan. 21-Feb. 18.
Your position may be jeopardized if someone tries to take credit for your work. Promote your accomplishments. **BERNICE BEDE OSOL**

Letters

Row, row your boats, global warming deniers

Re: 'Cool down, global warmers' (Metro, Feb. 19) People are laughing off global warming (referred to as climate change) because we've had a few snowstorms.

Pay attention — snow is water, water is moisture, huge amounts of moisture accumulate in the atmosphere when ocean water evaporates.

The melting of glaciers and polar ice caps increases the level of ocean waters, causing excess moisture (snow) in the atmosphere and flooding.

How soon people

forget (or ignore) the ice storm in Atlanta, the flooding in Australia that covered an area the size of Texas, and the flooding occurring right now in England — or the thousands of deaths that occurred a year ago in Europe due to extreme heat.

Laugh it up, fools; hope you have a rowboat.

ROBERT LAROSA, VIA EMAIL

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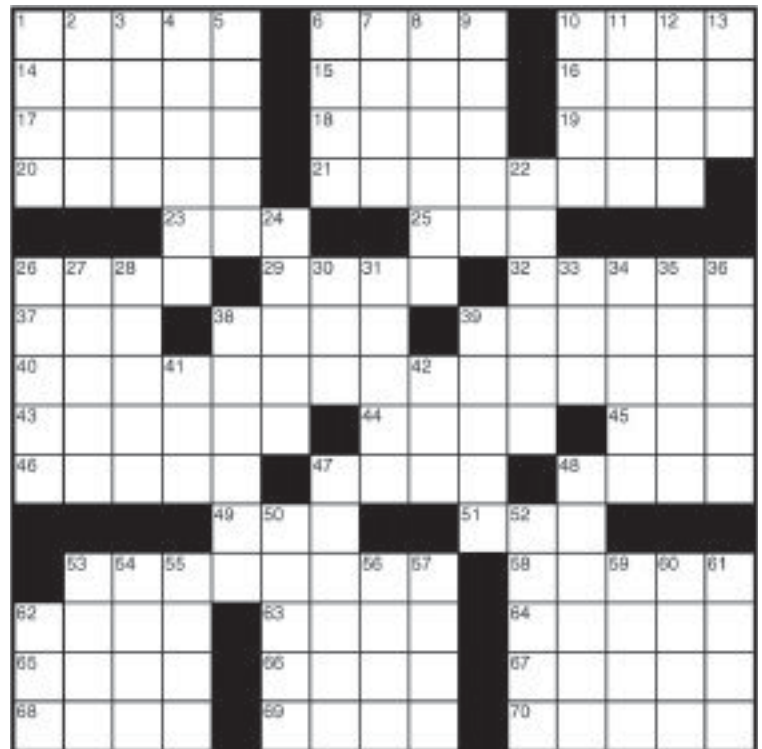
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- 17 Century plant
- 18 Many a Norway king
- 19 Music and ballet
- 20 Giggle (hyph.)
- 21 Ruined Mayan city
- 23 Explain further
- 25 Apply a jimmy
- 26 Carpenter's jaws
- 29 WWW addresses
- 32 Part of MGM
- 37 Here, in Le Havre
- 38 Haleakala's isle
- 39 Ill humor
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- 44 Bireme movers
- 45 Mao — -tung
- 46 Muralist — Rivera
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Yesterday's answer



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Derek Jeter said he didn't want to hold a press conference to announce his retirement, so he put out the letter instead. / GETTY IMAGES

Jeter downplays decision to retire

MLB. The Yankee captain spoke for the first time since his announcement, but not because he wanted to.

Derek Jeter is not known for a willingness to talk about himself and he was no different on Wednesday as the Yankee captain addressed last week's announcement he would be retiring after this season.

Jeter made his best attempt to downplay the reason for speaking at a podium inside the me-

dia tent at George Steinbrenner Field in Tampa Bay, Fla. He did not even prepare an opening statement.

"I didn't want this to be a press conference," Jeter said. "I tried to do this — I don't know if you could really say under the radar — but I didn't want this to be a press conference where I come here and read a speech. I wanted to get the message out to everyone the way I chose to do it."

Jeter always holds media availability on the first day position players report to spring training but this was the first televised live after

Quoted

"This has nothing to do with how I feel physically. ... I'm looking forward to playing a full season."

Derek Jeter

his 15-paragraph announcement posted to his Facebook page last Wednesday. The event was attended by all his teammates, general manager Brian Cashman, manager Joe Girardi, the Steinbrenner family and former team trainer Gene

Monahan.

Jeter said it took him a while to write the entire text, which expressed some of the thoughts he kept away from the media spotlight in New York.

"I know I haven't been as open as some of you guys would have liked me to be over the last 20 years but that's by design," Jeter said. "It doesn't mean I don't have those feelings, it's just that's the way I felt as though I'd be able to make it this long in New York."

LARRY FLEISHER
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On a 'Jet' plane



Nets deal Evans, Terry for Thornton

The Nets didn't wait for Thursday's trade deadline to pull off a move to improve their roster.

Veterans Jason Terry and Reggie Evans were shipped out West for Kings guard Marcus Thornton.

"Marcus is a proven scorer in this league," said general manager Billy King in a statement. "He is a young talent who will help us in the backcourt."

Thornton, 26, is averaging only 8.3 points and 2.7 rebounds per game in 26 starts. But he did average 21.3 points and 18.7 points in back-to-back seasons from 2010 to 2012.

Terry and Evans saw little time this season, falling deeper on the bench as the season went on. **METRO**

Collision course



Knicks eye Collision for Shumpert

The Knicks just want to unload Iman Shumpert if it's the last thing they do.

The persistent subject of trade rumors is now at the center of multiple reports indicating the Knicks are trying to move him for Clippers point guard Darren Collison. The deal could include struggling lead guard Raymond Felton. The NBA trade deadline is Thursday at 3 p.m. **METRO**

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SPORTS

Shocking upset

Russia upset by Finland

A national day of mourning is upon Russia — the national hockey team has been eliminated from the Olympics. Alex Ovechkin, Ilya Kovalchuk and the host country had enormous pressure to win gold in Sochi, but were bounced by Finland, 3-1, in the quarterfinals Wednesday. They will face Sweden and Henrik Lundqvist in the semifinals.



Watch online



Find video and recap of Wednesday night's Nets-Jazz game at:
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Winter Olympics

US advances, will face Canada in semifinals

The United States will get the Olympic rematch with Canada it so wanted. But it won't be for a gold medal.

Instead, the U.S. will face Canada Friday

(noon, NBC Sports) in the semifinals.

The U.S. easily defeated the Czech Republic, 5-2, on Wednesday, with the Canadians pulling out a surprisingly late 2-1 win over Latvia thanks to a third period goal from Shea Weber. Canada beat U.S. for gold in Vancouver. **METRO**



David Backes netted the game-winning goal. / GETTY IMAGES

PITCHING DEPTH WILL WAIT

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NFL news

Thankfully, we don't have a Jahvid Best situation on our hands with Jordan Reed. The Redskins' tight end has a history of concussions, but is feeling better after one ended his rookie year.

Chicks dig the long ball, and that's a fantastic reason to load up on hitters early in your draft. But it's not the only one.

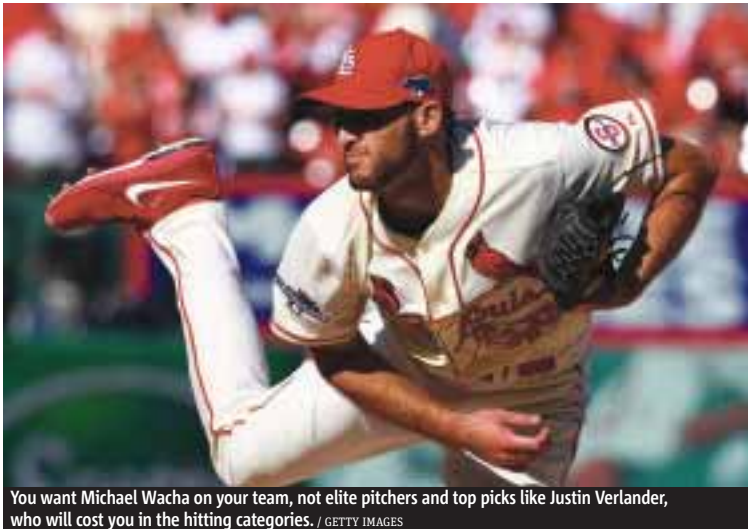
Optimal fantasy baseball draft strategy has long stated that we value the bats early, attack pitching later and save closers for last. Why? Read on:

Everyday consistency

Pitchers affect your fantasy stats once every five days and hitters affect them every single day. It's a simple concept, but one that is lost on far too many owners. On top of that, the year-to-year consistency of hitters is far greater.

Even elite pitchers like Tim Lincecum and Justin Verlander succumb to arm troubles and dips in velocity often, while the best hitters are a near lock to bat within a range of their career averages.

Outside of Clayton Kershaw, there's not a single pitcher I'd target in the first four rounds.



You want Michael Wacha on your team, not elite pitchers and top picks like Justin Verlander, who will cost you in the hitting categories. / GETTY IMAGES

Who to attack

OK, so we're going to wait until the middle rounds to compile our pitching staff. That strategy only works if we hit on the right guys. We're looking for talented arms on good teams (wins is a stat dictated by outside factors) that ideally throw in pitcher-friendly parks. Give me a few pitchers from the Jordan Zim-

mermann, Gerrit Cole, Masahiro Tanaka, Michael Wacha and Shelby Miller tier and I'll be thrilled.

Streaming

Inevitably, there are going to be some atrocious offenses in baseball this season. The Astros, Marlins and Cubs immediately come to mind. The advantage of having

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NBA pickups

Time to scour the waiver wire for these players:

- **Patty Mills, G, Spurs** — With Tony Parker shut down, the sharpshooting Mills will get 26 to 30 minutes nightly.
- **Ben McLemore, SG, Kings** — Sacramento traded away Marcus Thornton Wednesday, paving the way for their rookie.

Stock up

The NBA trade deadline will benefit these players:

- **Darren Collison, PG, Clippers** — If he goes to the Knicks in an Iman Shumpert/Ray Felton deal, starter's minutes will follow.
- **James Johnson, SF, Grizzlies** — The Grizz could move Tony Allen and Tayshaun Prince — and be better off thanks to J.J.

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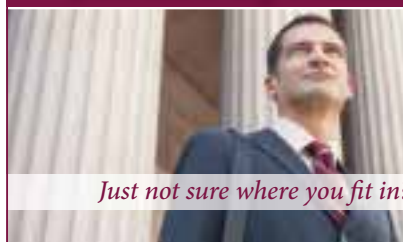
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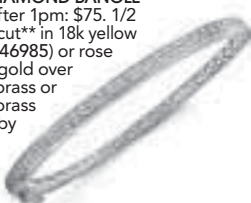
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